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AND METHOD OF INSTALLING A FASTENER

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants submit the following amendments to the application set forth below. Please charge any additional fees necessitated by the present amendment to the deposit account number 08-2789 of Howard & Howard Attorneys, P.C. A version of the specification and pending claims are presented having necessary markings to show the changes made and the current status of all pending claims in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.